

with and they don't have any alternative because of their numbers, then I think you create a disrespect for the law. You pass laws that people resent. It drives a wedge between us, as legislators, and the people we serve. That is a sacred trust. We should be paying a lot more attention to that impact rather than who is right, who is wrong here, who is winning, who is losing, who has got the votes, who doesn't have the votes, do I like Dan Lynch? Yes, I like Dan Lynch but I think this goes way beyond casting a vote based on Senator Lynch's very desirable personal characteristics as a human being. We should not pass bills that go against making individuals take responsibility for their own lives. Every bill that we pass like this makes more people more dependent upon government, and I think sometimes that is appropriate when they are people underage. We have plenty of instances where I can live with that, the child restraint bills, and so on, but when you are talking about adults, then I think that gets you into a whole different realm and you should consider the impact of such legislation very carefully on people's respect for the law, and Senator Johnson mentioned earlier about people's respect for this Legislature. I think you are endangering the level of respect for this Legislature when you don't carefully consider those kinds of aspects on passing a piece of legislation like this. So I would urge you to support this amendment. I think it is reasonable. It is rational. It is something I can support in terms of public health and safety and I think it is also justifiable to discriminate against people underage to do such, but I think when you start stepping over that line, you greatly endanger our credibility as a body and you greatly endanger the likelihood of people complying with laws and having any respect for the law. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. On the motion to return the bill, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, there are occasions when I miss John DeCamp, the scamp. John and I could be very honest and open with each other like no other two people on the floor of this Legislature in dealing with each other. Were he here, I would do as I did on another occasion. I would reach into my pocket, pull out \$50 and tell him, John, I bet you this \$50 to 10 that this amendment is not going to be adopted, and he wouldn't take the bet because John knows that two of his supporters are gone. He knows that those two had tried to get the bill set on a day when they would be